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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION, PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION OF NOVEMBER 10, 2008

Dear Sir:

DATE:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated November 10, 2008, in the above application. Applicant respectfully requests amendment of the patent application, and reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims. It is respectfully submitted that entry of the following Response will place the pending claims in condition for allowance.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby submits a petition for an extension of time of three (3) months for submitting a response to the Office Action dated November 10, 2008 in the above-referenced application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). A shortened statutory period of three months was set in the Office Action and expired on February 10, 2009. Thus, with a three-month extension, a response to the November 10, 2008 Office Action is timely if filed on or before May 10, 2009. In connection with this petition, please find payment in the amount of \$1110.00 submitted herewith pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3). If there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge these additional fees (or credit any overpayment) to Deposit Account No. 13-0019.

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